

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): An image editing apparatus, comprising:

a recording medium stores a compressed moving image file and a scenario file, wherein the scenario file is formed by recording a replay order or a replay condition of the moving image file with a predetermined file format;

a scenario evaluating circuit reads the scenario file from the recording medium and evaluates the replay order or the replay condition;

an editor reads the compressed moving image file from the recording medium, decodes the read moving image file, edits an image data based on the decoded moving image file in response to the scenario evaluated by the scenario evaluating circuit and makes a new moving image data file ~~successively~~; and

a recorder compresses ~~and records the new moving image file on the recording medium~~ the new moving image data each time the new moving image data ~~image file~~ is made for a predetermined period and records a new moving image file including the compressed new moving image data.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the scenario file

comprises at least one of a replaying speed of the moving image file, a number of repetitions for replaying the moving image file, a replay range of the moving image file, a special effect, and a replay of sound associated with the moving image file.

4. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the scenario file includes identification data indicating if other scenario files are recorded as part of the scenario file; and wherein the scenario evaluating circuit evaluates the replay order of the moving image files by following the corresponding scenario file in a hierarchical manner based on the identification data.

5. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, further including: a manual replay circuit for replaying the moving image files recorded in the recording medium according to an external replay operation; and a first scenario editor that records a sequence of manual steps as a replay order or replay condition in the scenario file.

6. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, further including: an edit input unit for receiving the editing operation for the plurality of moving image files, and a second scenario making editor for recording a replay order or a replay condition as a scenario file based on the editing operation received from the editing input unit.

7. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, further including a corrector

for detecting an inconsistency when the plurality of moving image files is replayed along with the scenario file, and for correcting the inconsistency according to one of a predetermined priority order or an externally input correction instruction.

8. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein a replay mechanism replays moving image files taken from the recording medium according to the replay order or the replay condition evaluated by the scenario evaluating circuit.

9. (Previously Presented): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the recording medium further includes a first recording medium for storing the moving image file and a second recording medium for storing the scenario file.

Claims 10 – 53 (Canceled).